# COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEAT PLEASANT, MARYLAND

**Ordinance No.:** 

O-17-06

Introduced by:

City Council

**Date Introduced:** 

October 3, 2016

First Reading:

October 3, 2016

**Second Reading:** 

October 10, 2016

**Date Passed:** 

October 10, 2016

Date Effective:

October 31, 2016

## AN ORDINANCE concerning

#### CHAPTER 6 - Checks

FOR the purpose of amending Chapter 6 – Checks of the Code of the City of Seat Pleasant for the purposes of providing that the Mayor, Council President and City Treasurer are authorized to sign checks and written authorizations approving the withdrawal of funds from any bank or financial institution in which funds are maintained for or on behalf of the City; providing that all such checks and written authorizations approving the withdrawal of funds from any such bank or financial institution shall be signed and countersigned by at least two of the following authorized persons: the Mayor, Council President or City Treasurer; providing that the title of this Ordinance shall be deemed a fair summary; and generally relating to the signing of checks and withdrawals of funds for The City of Seat Pleasant.

BY

amending Chapter 6 – Checks

Sections 6-1 and 6-3

Code of the City of Seat Pleasant (1994 Edition, as amended)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Local Gov't § 5-205(a)(1) and Section C-501(b)(19) of the Charter of The City of Seat Pleasant, the Council of the City of Seat Pleasant (the "City Council"), as the legislative body for The City of Seat Pleasant (the "City"), has the express ordinance-making power to provide for the general management and control of the City's finances; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 6 – Checks, § 6-1 of the Code of the City of Seat Pleasant (the "Code"), certain public officials are authorized to sign and countersign checks and written authorizations approving the withdrawal of funds from any bank or financial institution in which funds are maintained for and on behalf of the City; provided, however, that pursuant to § 6-3 of the Code, any such check or written authorization must be signed and countersigned by at least three of the designated authorized public officials; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to amend Chapter 6 – Checks of the Code for the purposes of providing that the Mayor, Council President and City Treasurer are authorized to sign checks and written authorizations approving the withdrawal of funds from any bank or financial institution in which funds are maintained for or on behalf of the City; providing that all such checks and written authorizations approving the withdrawal of funds from any such bank or financial institution shall be signed and countersigned by at least two of the following authorized persons: the Mayor, Council President or City Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it in the interest of the public health, welfare and safety of the citizens of The City of Seat Pleasant, and for the good government of The City of Seat Pleasant, to enact this Ordinance and to take the actions as described herein.

**SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEAT PLEASANT** that Sections 6-1 and 6-3, of the Code of the City of Seat Pleasant (1994 Edition, as amended) be and they hereby are amended to read as follows:

### § 6-1. Persons authorized to sign checks and withdraw funds.

The following persons are authorized to sign and countersign checks and written authorizations approving the withdrawal of funds from any bank or financial institution in which funds are maintained for or on behalf of the City of Seat Pleasant:

- A. Mayor.
- B. ((City Administrator)) COUNCIL PRESIDENT
- C. ((At-Large Councilmembers)) CITY TREASURER

### § 6-3. Number of signatures required.

- A. All written authorizations approving the withdrawal of funds from any bank or financial institution in which funds are maintained for or on behalf of the City of Seat Pleasant shall be signed and countersigned by at least ((three)) TWO of the ((four)) THREE persons specified in § 6-1.
- B. All checks drawn on any account with any bank or financial institution held in the name or on behalf of the City of Seat Pleasant shall be signed and countersigned by at least ((three)) TWO of the ((four)) THREE persons specified in § 6-1.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEAT PLEASANT that the Recitals to this Ordinance are incorporated herein and deemed a substantive part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEAT PLEASANT that all other ordinances or parts of ordinances or provisions of

the Code of the City of Seat Pleasant (1994 Edition, as amended) in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEAT PLEASANT that the title of this Ordinance, or a condensed version thereof, shall be deemed to be, and is, a fair summary of this Ordinance for publication and all other purposes.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEAT PLEASANT that, if any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court or competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance, it being the intent of the City Council that this Ordinance shall stand, notwithstanding the invalidity of any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion hereof.

SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEAT PLEASANT that the City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance, and cause the same or, to the extent permitted by the Charter, a fair summary of the same, to be published as required by law, and that this Ordinance shall become effective at the expiration of twenty (20) days following approval by the Mayor or passage by the City Council over the Mayor's veto.

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City Clerk

### APPROVED:

This Ordinance was presented to the Mayor for his approval or disapproval pursuant to §
C-313 of the Charter of the City of Seat Pleasant this 1 HM day of (Mobel , 2016)
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Dashaun Lanham, CMC
City Clerk
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In accordance with § C-313 of the Charter of the City of Seat Pleasant, I hereby
(APPROVE) (DISAPPROVE) of this Ordinance this 1/4 day of Vetoby, 2016.
C/M
Eugene W. Grant, Mayor

# **EXPLANATION:**

CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. ((Double Parenthesis)) indicate matter deleted from existing law. Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

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